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PATENT APPLICATION

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
HIDEHIKO FUJIMURA, ET AL.)
Application No.: 09/309,766)
Filed: May 11, 1999)
For: METHOD FOR MANUFACTURING) February 8, 2001
AIRTIGHT VESSEL AND)
IMAGE-FORMING APPARATUS)
USING AIRTIGHT VESSEL)

Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 8, 2000, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend Claims 1, 4, 13 and 23 as follows:

9) 1. (Amended) A method for manufacturing an airtight vessel, comprising the steps of: